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- (c) About one-sixth of the total number of Deputy Inspectors are under-graduates. Most of them have long service to their credit. Trained graduates are alone eligible for appointment to the cadre of School Assistants.
- (d) It was stated that the matter was under consideration.
- (e) & (f) The question of revising the pay of the officers in question is under consideration.

Local Boards and Municipal Councils

Contribution to the Sanskrit College, Tenali, from Provincial Funds.

* 539 Q.—Mr. P. ANJANEYULU: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any memorial or petition from the Managing Committee of the Sanskrit College, Tenali, Guntur district, with a request that that institution be given contribution from Provincial Funds to cover the net cost;

(b) whether the Government have passed any orders thereon;

(c) whether Government are aware that G.O. No. 2013, L. & M., dated 22nd July 1924, is working prejudicially to the interests of Sanskrit studies by forbidding contribution from Local Boards beyond half of the net cost; and

(d) whether the Government will be pleased to reconsider the Government Order?

A —(a) Yes.

(b) The petition was transferred to the Director of Public Instruction by whom grants to Sanskrit institutions are sanctioned.

(c) The Government have no reason to think so.

(d) No.

Board and municipal elementary schools in Ceded Districts.

* 540 Q.—Mr. K. ABDUL HYE: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to lay on the table the following particulars:—

(a) the total number of board and municipal elementary schools opened during the past three years in the different Ceded Districts; and

(b) how many of these are intended for Muhammadans?

A. —(a) & (b) A statement furnishing the information available is appended.^a

Mr. ABDUL HAMEED KHAN:—"May I know from the hon. Minister for Education whether he has taken any steps to call for statistics from the Ceded districts to see if there is no need for larger number of Muhammadan schools in those areas?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN:—"I thought my hon. Friend was aware of the fact that if Muhammadans and Hindus were brought up in the same schools it would tend to communal amity."

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MR. ABDUL HAMEED KHAN :—" May I know if the hon. Minister is not aware that the vernaculars of these children are different and, if that is so, whether he does not think it advisable to start separate schools even in elementary departments for people who want their education to be given in Urdu ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" I will have that question enquired into."

Composition of the Cochin Municipal Council.

* 541 Q.—DR. B. S. MALLAYYA : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state whether the composition of the Cochin Municipal Council is the same now as it was on 20th October 1926 when that body adopted two resolutions to take civil and criminal proceedings against Mr. Jacob, the ex-chairman of the municipality ?

A.—No. A statement showing the composition of the council on 30th September 1926 and on 30th June 1927 is laid on the table ^a. The exact composition on 20th October 1926 and at the time the question was framed is not known.

DR. B. S. MALLAYYA :—" May I know from the hon. the Chief Minister whether he is aware that the new Council contains 40 per cent new members ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" I am not aware of that."

DR. B. S. MALLAYYA :—" May I know whether these new members who come up to 40 per cent of the new Council are all poor people ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" I cannot say that."

DR. B. S. MALLAYYA :—" Is it the intention of the Government to penalise these poor councillors for the sins of their predecessors in office ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" I do not quite understand the import of this question."

DR. B. S. MALLAYYA :—" Sir, rich people spend large sums of money in election propaganda and come in easily elected. Government nominees are the favourites of the Government and they come in without any expenditure. It is the representatives of the poor people who are unable to spend money in these matters that are hit by the action of the Government in dissolving the Council."

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" The hon. Member is requested to put a supplementary question."

DR. B. S. MALLAYYA :—" Sir, I give this information for the benefit of the hon. Minister who is ignorant of the facts in this case."

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" The hon. Member may take another opportunity to do so."

DR. B. S. MALLAYYA :—" I want to know whether it is the intention of the Government to penalise these poor municipal councillors by dissolving the Council ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" It is not the intention of the Government."

^a Vide Appendix VIII on page 143 infra.